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SUBJECT: DOCKWORKERS BEGIN EXPORT BAN

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1. MEMBERS OF ICELANDIC GENERAL AND TRANSPORT WORKERS
FEDERATION (VMSI) HAVE BEGUN STRIKE AND ARE REFUSING
TO LOAD EXPORTS. ACTION STARTED IN SOME PARTS OF
COUNTRY APRIL 12, WHILE OTHER AREAS NOT STRUCK
UNTIL APRIL 13 OR 14. STRIKE, HOWEVER, IS NOT UNIVERSAL.

2. EFFECT OF BAN HAS SO FAR BEEN MINIMAL. VMSI
BRANCHES IN WESTFJORD AND REYKJANES, ICELAND'S TWO MAIN
EXPORT REGIONS, HAVE DECLARED THEY WILL NOT PARTICIPATE
IN BAN. REYKJAVIK WORKERS WHO WOULD OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN
LOADING EXPORTS HAVE BEEN DIVERTED TO UNLOADING INBOUND
SHIPS, AND THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT REYKJAVIK
EXPORTS WILL BE TRUCKED SHORT DISTANCE TO REYKJANES
PORTS THAT ARE NOT AFFECTED.

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3. BAN COULD SOON HAVE IMPACT ON FISH FREEZING PLANTS
ON NORTHERN, SOUTHERN AND EASTERN COASTS IF EXPORTS
CANNOT BE TRUCKED TO OTHER NON-STRIKING PORTS.
ALTHOUGH MOST UNIONS HAVE NOW DECIDED WHETHER OR NOT
THEY WILL PARTICIPATE IN BAN, SOME IN EAST HAVE NOT
YET DONE SO, PERHAPS WAITING TO SEE HOW SITUATION
DEVELOPS ELSEWHERE. EMPLOYERS HAVE STILL NOT

DECIDED ON THEIR RESPONSE, IF ANY.

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